BE BLESSED

June 30, 2024

KEY SCRIPTURES

- Isaiah 30:21
- <u>Genesis 12:1-3</u>
- Genesis 32:26
- KEY POINTS

- <u>Deuteronomy 28.2-6</u>
 <u>Matthew 5:2-12</u>
- Abraham was used by God to bless, to be a blessing, and to be blessed.
- Jacob asked for blessings.
- The Portuguese phrase, "benca pai/mai" means "father/mother bless me."
- The response is "Deus abencoe," meaning "God bless you."
- God declares a blessing over those who walk in obedience to His voice.
- Jesus took the curse upon Himself so we who believe can walk in the blessings.
- The beatitudes relate to our response to the Gospel, the Good News.

DISCUSSION

- 1. How can we as a church stop the negative cycle of cursing the next generation?
- 2. What encouragement did you take away from the video of the grads?
- 3. What are some ways we can bless those around us more?
- 4. Discuss what you can do to come alongside the next generation.

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"Blessed are those who humbly recognize their need for God,

for they will enter into His Kingdom."

"Blessed are those who mourn for their sins,

for they shall receive forgiveness and life eternal."

"Blessed are those who submit to God as Lord,

for they will inherit everything He possesses."

"Blessed are those who passionately long for Christ,

for He will satisfy their souls."

- "Blessed are those who show mercy through forgiveness, kindness, and compassion, for they will receive mercy."
- "Blessed are those who have been purified from the inside out, being made clean and holy, for they will see God."
- "Blessed are those who have been reconciled to God through Jesus Christ and bring this same message of reconciliation to others.

All who have peace with God are his children."

"Blessed are those daring enough to openly live for Christ and suffer persecution, for they will receive the Kingdom of Heaven."